

REMARKS

After entry of the foregoing amendment, claims 1-10 and 16-25 are pending in the application.

The earlier restriction requirement was made FINAL, despite applicant's traverse. Accordingly, claims 11-15 are canceled and may be pursued in one or more related applications.

Applicant maintains the earlier traverse of the rejection of claims 1-10, e.g., for the reasons set forth in the *Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review*. The present amendment adds more claims within the claim group I earlier defined, so that – on appeal – the Board may consider additional claims.

Support for claim 19 is found, e.g., at page 18, lines 4-5.

The increase/decrease language in claim 21 is supported, e.g., by the Outputs of 1 and -1 shown at the bottom of page 8 of applicants' specification.

The 7.5% figure in claim 22 is the result of a change of a sample having an original value of 200, by +15. The 100% figure is the result of a sample having an original value of 1, by +1. See, e.g., page 9, lines 18-20.

Support for claims 23 and 25 is found, e.g., at page 10, lines 1-6.

Support for claim 24 is found, e.g., at page 11, lines 23-25.

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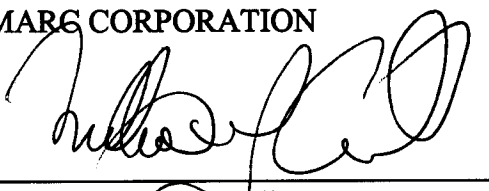
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